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MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING

NOTIFICATIONS

New Delhi, the 7th April 1971

SUBJECT.—*Procedure for indenting and despatch of Iron and Steel.*

S.O. 1566.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause 17A of the Iron and Steel (Control) Order, 1956, the Central Government hereby makes the following directions regarding the procedure to be followed in the placing of orders on producers or stockists of iron and steel and the despatch of the same, namely:—

1. All indentors requiring iron or steel for genuine purposes will be free to book orders for iron or steel without any celling, on the steel plants through the Joint Plant Committee set up by the Central Government in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Engineering No. SC(I)-1(5)/71-B dated the 7th April, 1971.

2. The indents presented to the Joint Plant Committee shall be accompanied by such documents as may be prescribed by that Committee to satisfy the Committee that the indentor is a party authorised or competent to utilize the particular category of iron or steel for any genuine use in construction or fabrication:

Provided that where the indentor requires the iron or steel only for purposes of trade, the indent shall be accompanied by the particulars or documents prescribed by the Joint Plant Committee to satisfy the Committee that the indentor is bonafide and competent trader of iron or steel.

3. The sale orders issued by the Steel Plants shall be valid for a period of two years only from the date of booking and will automatically lapse at the end of that period unless the despatches are effected within that period or the sale orders are included by the Steel Priority Committee set up by the Central Government under the notification aforesaid for rolling and despatch prior to the date of the expiry.

4. In respect of those categories of iron or steel which are within the purview of the Steel Priority Committee aforesaid, consumers who have orders booked with the main producers and who are interested in getting priority for delivery during any quarter should approach that Committee through their sponsoring authorities.

5. The priority allocations will be done quarterly. Steel fabricating units, whose requirements do not vary very much from quarter to quarter, will be free to give their annual requirements at the beginning of each financial year instead of applying every quarter.

6. With regard to billets, H.R. Strip/Skelp and pig iron, the distribution and despatches will be done in accordance with the annual policy framed by the Joint Plant Committee aforesaid and approved by the Central Government.

[No. SC(I)-1(5)/71-A.]

SUBJECT.—*Setting up of Joint Committee and Steel Priority Committee.*

S.O. 1567/ESS/COMM/IRON & TEEL—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause 17B of the Iron and Steel (Control) Order, 1956, the Central Government hereby sets up two Committees to be known as the Joint Plant Committee and the Steel Priority Committee for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the aforesaid Order.

2. The composition and functions of each of the aforesaid Committee shall be as follows:—

(a) *The Joint Plant Committee*

Composition

(i) The Iron and Steel Controller—*Chairman.*

(ii) One representative each of the main steel plants, that is to say, the Tata Iron and Steel Company Limited, the Indian Iron and Steel Company Limited, the Hindustan Steel Limited, Rourkela, the Hindustan Steel Limited, Bhilai and the Hindustan Steel Limited, Durgapur—*Members.*

(iii) One representative of the Ministry of Railways.

Functions

(1) The Joint Plant Committee shall be responsible for carrying out generally the functions of co-ordinating the working of the main steel producers, particularly with a view to evolving common procedures and joint action in regard to planning of indents, despatch, distribution and pricing of products and drawing up of rolling programmes.

(2) The Committee may obtain from the producers, indentors and authorised dealers such information and data as it may require in connection with the planning of production, scrutiny of indents and allocation to different plants and may also form such statistical and other units as may be necessary for this purpose.

(3) The Committee shall handle all indents for all categories of steel as are to be executed by the main steel plants.

(4) The Committee may formulate terms and conditions which are to be fulfilled by the indentors to the extent not covered by any specific orders issued under the Iron and Steel (Control) Order, 1956.

(5) The Committee shall give wide publicity to the procedure to be followed by the indentors and may revise, if necessary forms of indents from time to time. The Committee shall scrutinize the indents submitted to it and after the

scrutiny forward the indents to the steel plants nominated by the indentor for booking of orders. The Committee may prescribe the financial and other formalities to be completed by the various classes of indentors, prior to the steel plant accepting the indent for issue of sale orders.

(6) The Committee shall help the Steel Priority Committee in deciding the priorities for despatch of iron or steel. For this purpose, in the light of the recommendations made to the Committee by the sponsoring authority regarding the requirements of individual consumers, the Committee shall discuss with the main producers and such of the sponsoring authorities as it considers necessary, the extent to which their requirements and estimated production can be matched and thereupon send its consolidated proposal with its recommendations to the Steel Priority Committee. In making such proposals, the Committee shall have due regard to the need to minimise to the extent possible the freight payable for the movement of any category of iron or steel indented for.

(7) The Committee shall, subject to any overall directions from the Steel Priority Committee, prescribe the particulars of information which consumers seeking priority should furnish, the proforma for this purpose and the last dates and time-table by which information should be furnished, scrutinised and completed in order to enable effective deliveries against priority allocations in each quarter.

(8) The Committee may determine, announce and list prices (base prices as well as extras) from time to time of all categories of iron or steel not subject to price control under clause 15 of the Iron and Steel (Control) Order, 1956. The prices so determined will be ex-works prices. The Committee shall add a fixed element of equalised freight to the ex-works prices announced from time to time in order to ensure that buyers of steel all over the country pay the same railway freight irrespective of the distance from the source of supply. The Committee may take such measures as it considers necessary or desirable to ensure that buyers of iron or steel all over the country pay the same price.

(9) The Committee shall endeavour to equalize freight for those categories of iron or steel, if any, which are subject to price control under clause 15 of the Iron and Steel (Control) Order, 1956 and for this purpose take such measures as it considers necessary or desirable.

(10) The Committee shall meet as often as necessary but not less than once a month so that it can effectively discharge its supervisory and co-ordinating functions.

(11) The Committee may evolve suitable organization, methods and procedures to review carefully the general market situation, fluctuations in free market prices, the trends of production, availability and movement of iron and steel and, in particular, the despatches from the different steel plants to ensure that the priorities laid down by the Steel Priority Committee are complied with to the maximum extent possible and for this purpose the Committee shall arrange for effective and timely flow of information from the steel plants and sponsoring authority.

(12) The Committee shall submit regular and comprehensive information to the Steel Priority Committee to enable the latter effectively to review and regulate distribution.

(13) The Committee shall regulate the distribution and sale of defectives, cuttings, re-rollable and other scrap, and of materials from the stockyards of main producers on a uniform basis for all poducers and for this purpose may prescribe uniform procedures and systems for the distribution and sale of the aforesaid categories for adoption by all the steel plants and review the same from time to time.

(b) *Steel Priority Committee*

Composition

The Committee shall consist of—

Chairman

(1) The Secretary, Ministry of Steel and Heavy Engineering.

Members

(ii) The Secretary, Department of Industrial Development,

(iii) The Secretary, Planning Commission,

(iv) The Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance,

(v) The Chairman, Railway Board,

(vi) The Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Trade,

(vii) The Director General, Technical Development,

(viii) The Development Commissioner, Small Scale Industries,

(ix), (x), (xi) Three Directors of the Hindustan Steel limited nominated by the Hindustan Steel Limited.

(xii) One Director of the Tata Iron and Steel Company Limited nominated by the Tata Iron and Steel Company Limited,

(xiii) One Director of the Indian Iron and Steel Company Limited nominated by the Indian Iron and Steel Company Limited,

(xiv) The Joint Secretary, Ministry of Steel and Heavy Engineering,

Member Secretary

(xv) The Iron and Steel Controller

Functions

(1) The Committee shall discharge its functions in relation to the following categories of steel produced by the main steel plants, namely:—

(i) Joists

(ii) Channels

(iii) Angles

(iv) Unequal Angles

(v) Rounds

(vi) Squares

(vii) Torsteel or equivalent

(viii) Wire Rods, Mild Steel

(ix) Wire Rods, High Carbon, ACSR quality, Wire rope quality etc.

(x) Forging Quality Semis

(xi) M. S. Flats

(xii) M. S. Plates

(xiii) Sheets

(xiv) Sheets and Plates in Coils

(xv) Electrical Steel Sheets

(xvi) G. P. Sheets

(xvii) G. C. Sheets

(xviii) Boiler Quality Plates

(xix) Shipbuilding Plates

(xx) Chequered Plates

(xxi) High Carbon/High Tensile Plates

(xxii) Bearing Plates

(xxiii) Crossing Sleeper Bars, Rails, etc.

(xxiv) Light Rails

(xxv) Heavy Rails

(2) The Committee shall meet and decide the priorities for despatch of iron or steel on a quarterly basis. The Committee may evolve the priority requisition forms, procedures for submission and processing of priority requisitions.

(3) The Chairman of the Committee may invite or co-opt any other Secretary to the Government of India or Head of Department to attend any meeting of the Committee.

(4) The Committee shall, at its meetings review the implementation of its decisions taken in earlier meetings allocating prorities and shall also generally review the overall position of steel distribution and availability.

(5) The Committee shall, from time to time, review the working of the Joint Plant Committee.

(6) While allocating despatches of different categories of steel to the consumers, the Committee shall take into consideration the estimated production during the quarter in which the allocations are to be made.

(7) While allocating despatches to the consumers, the Committee may earmark the proportions of available production considered reasonable for despatch, not to the individual consumers direct, but to the stockyards of the main producers and to traders subject to any conditions that the Committee may choose to impose to achieve the most balanced regional distribution.

(8) In considering despatches of steel to industries in the small-scale sector, the Committee shall give weightage to requirements routed through the Small Scale Industries Corporations or Raw Material Depots set up by the State Governments.

(9) In according priority of despatch to the orders booked by any individual consumers on the main producers, the Committee shall utilize, to the extent possible, such orders which exist on the date of publication of this notification. Priority of despatch shall be accorded to subsequent orders only where the existing orders placed by a consumer for the category of steel for which the Committee decides to accord him priority are exhausted.

[No. SC(I)-1(5)/71-B.]

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